

Supplementary Material Superconductivity in functionalized niobium-carbide MXenes

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Bulk Nb₂CCl₂ structures with *P6₃mmc* and *P-3m1* symmetries

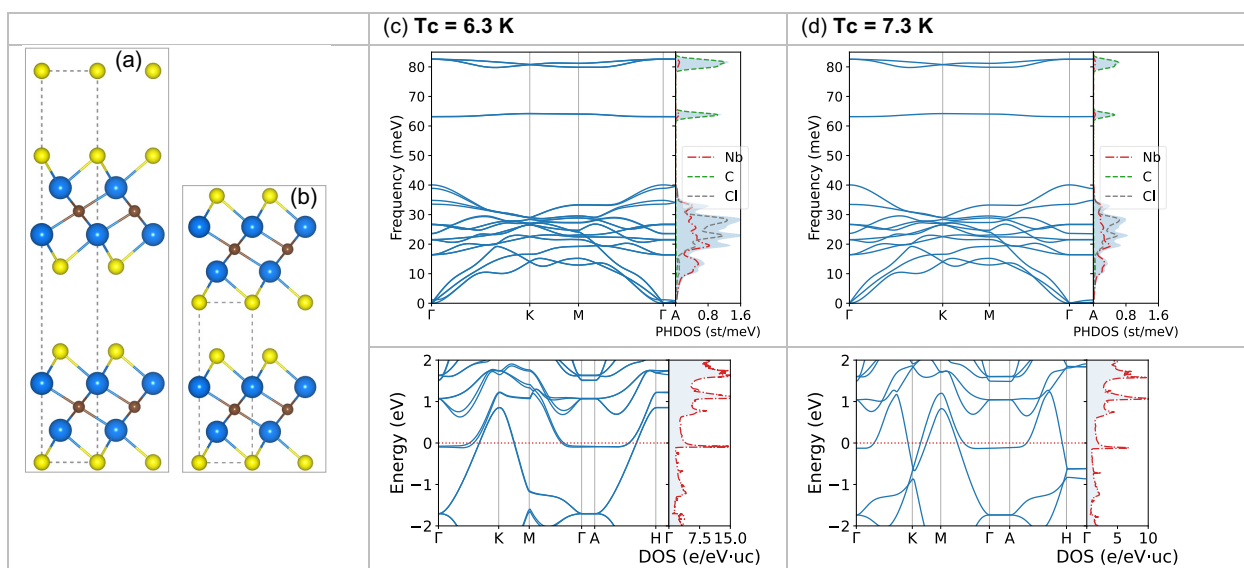


Figure S1: (a) Schematic representation of the periodic unit-cell of the Nb₂CCl₂ crystals with space group symmetries (a) *P6₃mmc* and (b) *P-3m1*. The calculated phonon dispersion along with phonon density of states, and electronic band structures of Nb₂CCl₂ crystals with space group symmetries (c) *P6₃mmc* and (d) *P-3m1*.

Exfoliation energies (E_x)

$$E_x = (E_{\text{Bulk}} - n \cdot E_{2\text{D}}) / N$$

E_{Bulk} = Total energy of the bulk structure

$E_{2\text{D}}$ = Total energy of the single layer

n = Number of layers in the bulk unit cell

N = Number of atoms in the unit cell of the bulk structure

Note: Total energies were obtained using the PBE functional, without the inclusion of vdW interactions.

Materials	E_x (meV/Atom)
Nb ₂ CS ₂	-1.08
Nb ₂ CCl ₂	-1.03
Nb ₃ C ₂ S ₂	-0.53
Nb ₃ C ₂ Cl ₂	-0.52

Monolayer Nb₂CCl₂

Superconducting properties

$t\text{smear} = 0.0075$ Ha $\mu^* = 0.13$ Tc = 9.6 K

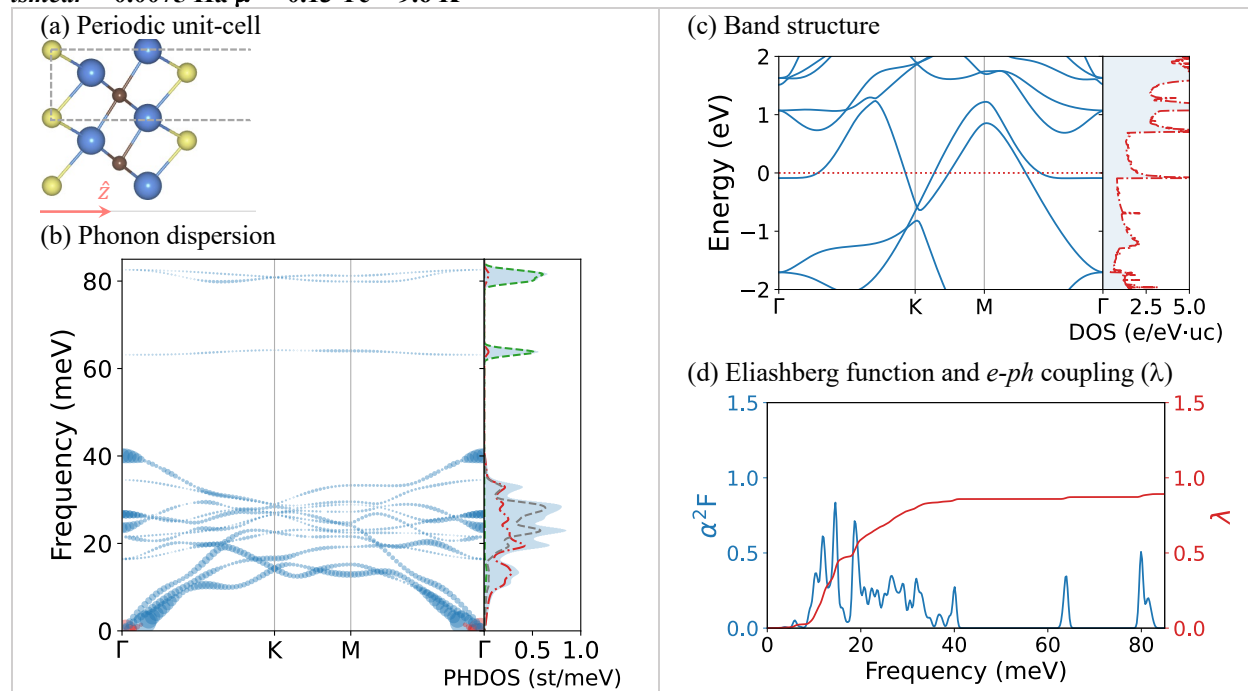


Figure S2: (a) Schematic representation of the periodic unit-cell of the considered crystal. The calculated (b) phonon dispersion along with e - ph coupling (size of red circles) and phonon density of states, (c) electronic band structure, and (d) Eliashberg function and integrated e - ph coupling constant (λ). The size of red circles is scaled with 1/100 for a better view. Here the red, grey, and green lines correspond to the Nb, Cl, and S atoms, respectively.

Monolayer Nb₂CCl₂

The Fermi level dependent superconducting properties of monolayer Nb₂CCl₂

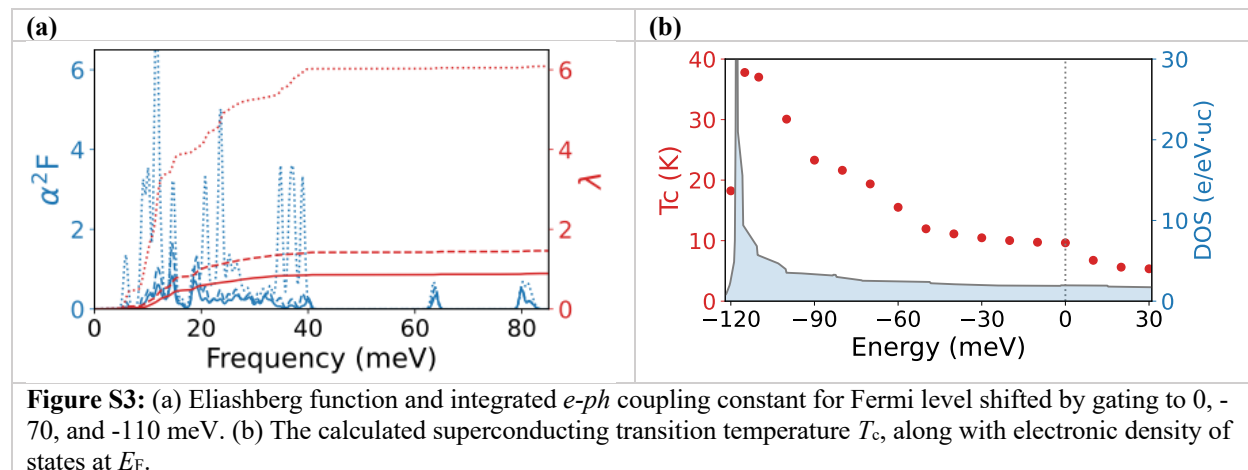


Figure S3: (a) Eliashberg function and integrated e - ph coupling constant for Fermi level shifted by gating to 0, -70, and -110 meV. (b) The calculated superconducting transition temperature T_c , along with electronic density of states at E_F .

Bulk-layered Nb₂CS₂

The calculated nesting function

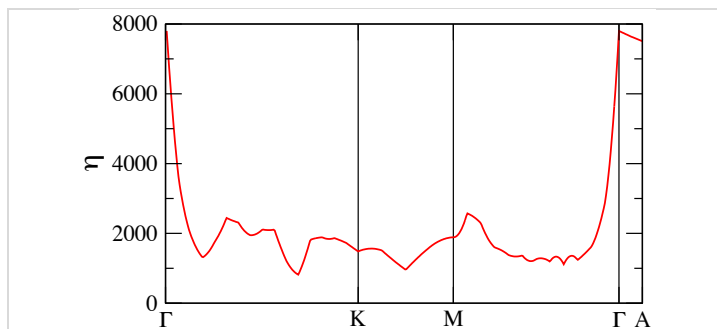


Figure S4: The calculated nesting function for Nb₂CS₂ (bulk).

Monolayer Nb₂CS₂

The change in Eliashberg function and integrated e-ph coupling constant (λ) with applied strain

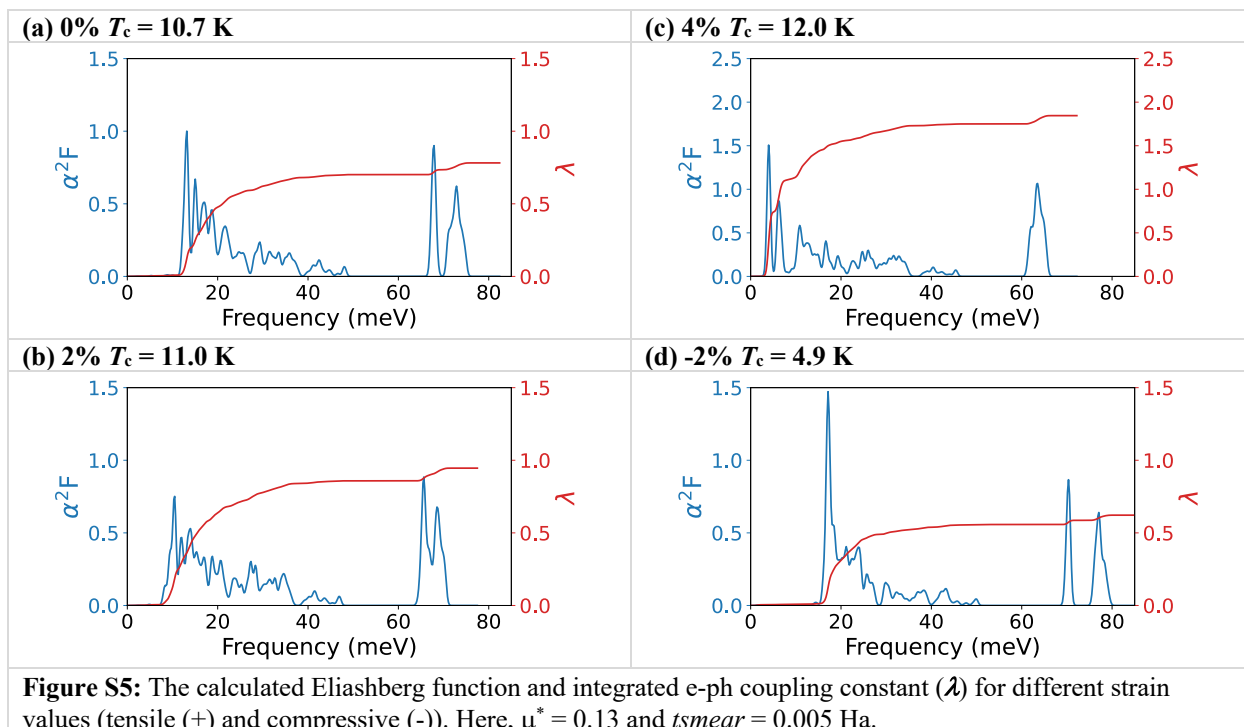


Figure S5: The calculated Eliashberg function and integrated e-ph coupling constant (λ) for different strain values (tensile (+) and compressive (-)). Here, $\mu^* = 0.13$ and $tsmear = 0.005$ Ha.

Bulk Nb₂CSe₂

Superconducting properties

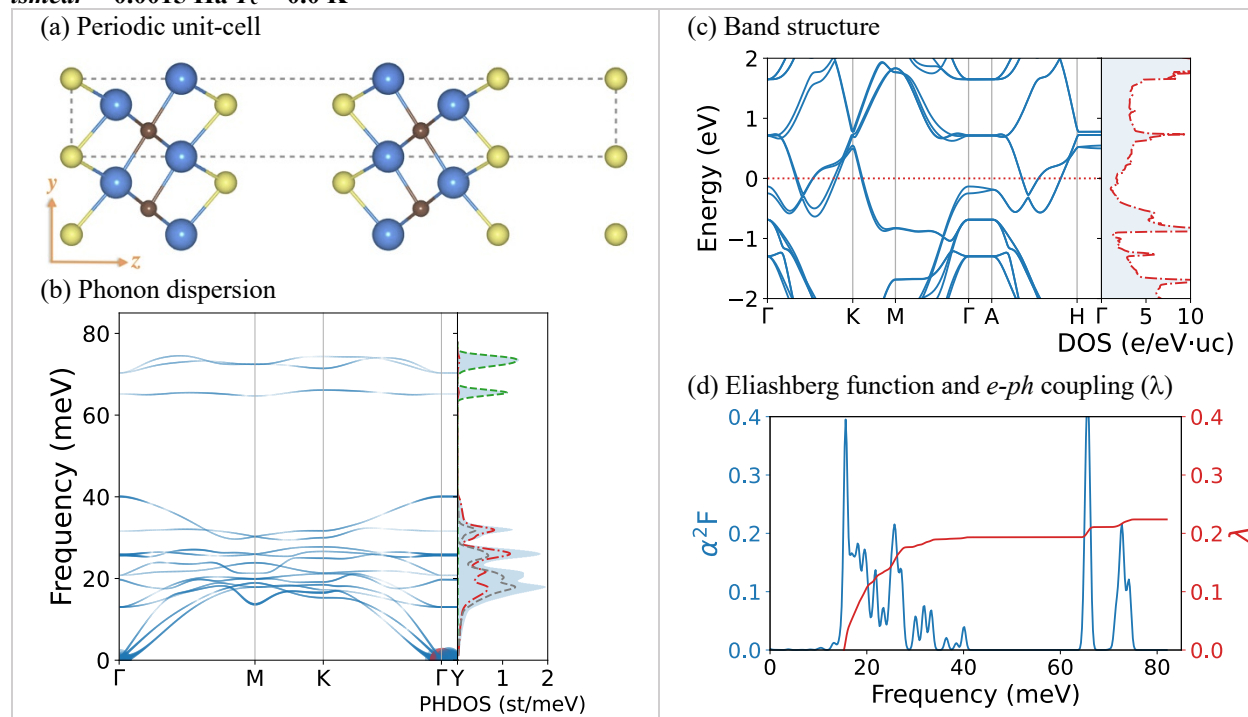
 $t\text{smear} = 0.0015 \text{ Ha } T_c = 0.0 \text{ K}$ 

Figure S6: (a) Schematic representation of the periodic unit-cell of the considered crystal. The calculated (b) phonon dispersion along with e - ph coupling (size of red circles) and phonon density of states, (c) electronic band structure, and (d) Eliashberg function and integrated e - ph coupling constant (λ). The size of red circles is scaled with 1/100 for a better view. Here the red, grey and green lines correspond to the Nb, Se, and C atoms, respectively.

Monolayer Nb₃C₂

Superconducting properties

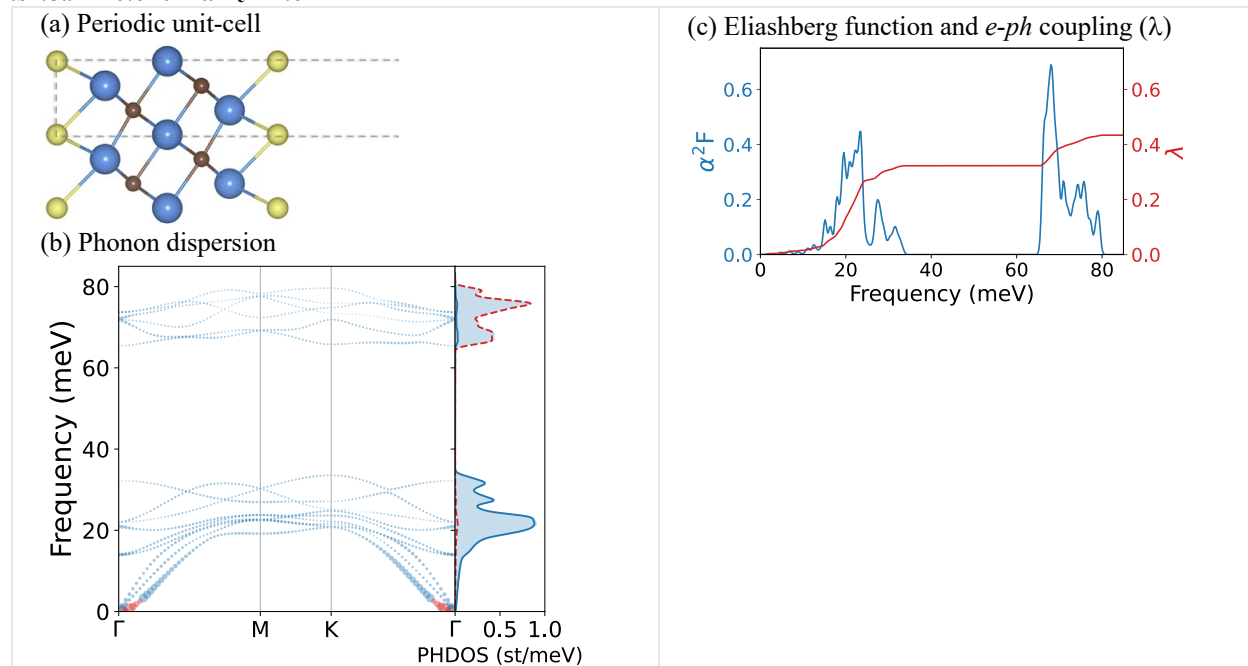
 $t\text{smear} = 0.010 \text{ Ha } T_c = 1.0 \text{ K}$ 

Figure S7: (a) Schematic representation of the periodic unit-cell of the considered crystal. The calculated (b) phonon dispersion along with e - ph coupling (size of red circles) and phonon density of states, and (c) Eliashberg function and integrated e - ph coupling constant (λ). The size of red circles is scaled with 1/100 for a better view. Here the blue, and red lines correspond to the Nb, and C atoms.

Bulk Nb₃C₂Cl₂
Space group *P-3m1*

Phonon dispersion

tsmear = 0.0075 Ha

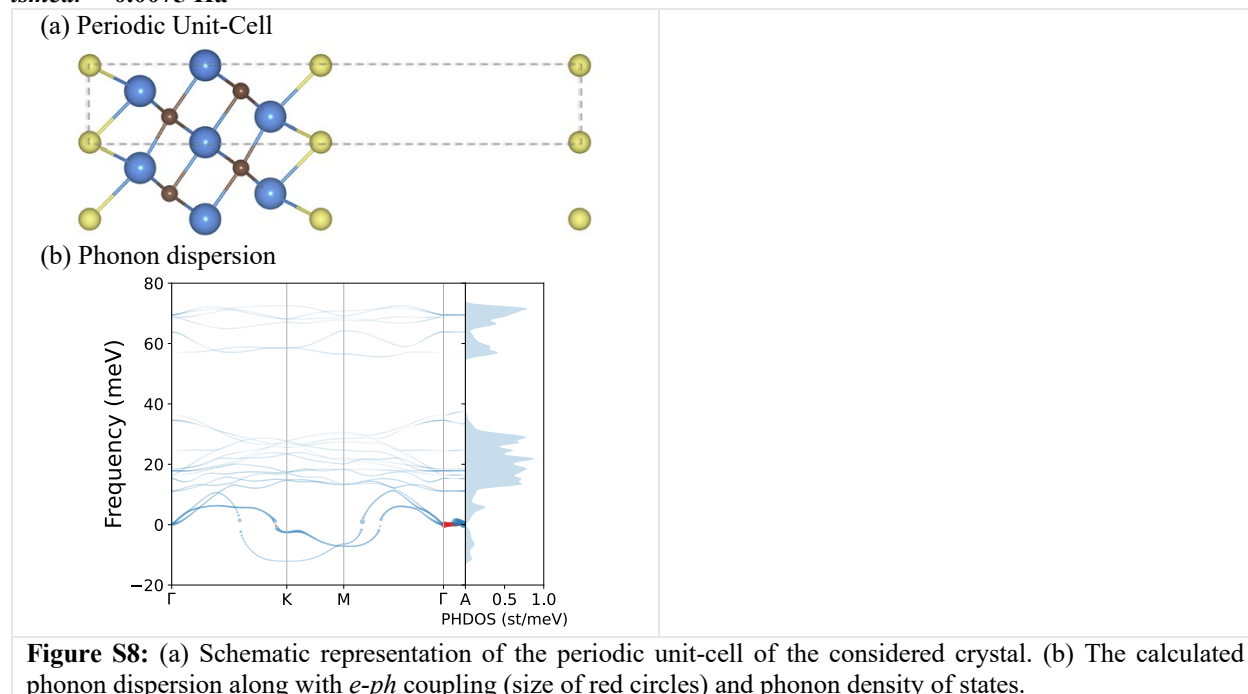


Figure S8: (a) Schematic representation of the periodic unit-cell of the considered crystal. (b) The calculated phonon dispersion along with *e-ph* coupling (size of red circles) and phonon density of states.

Monolayer Nb₃C₂S₂

Superconducting properties

tsmear = 0.0050 Ha *T_c* = 28.1 K

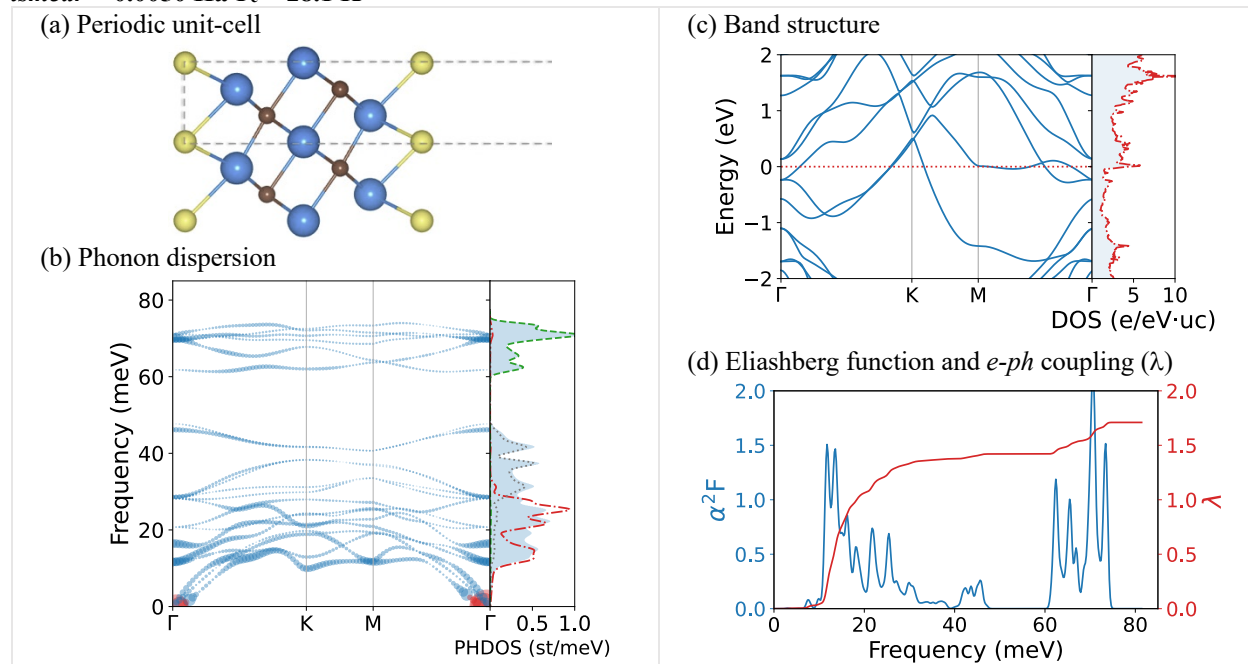
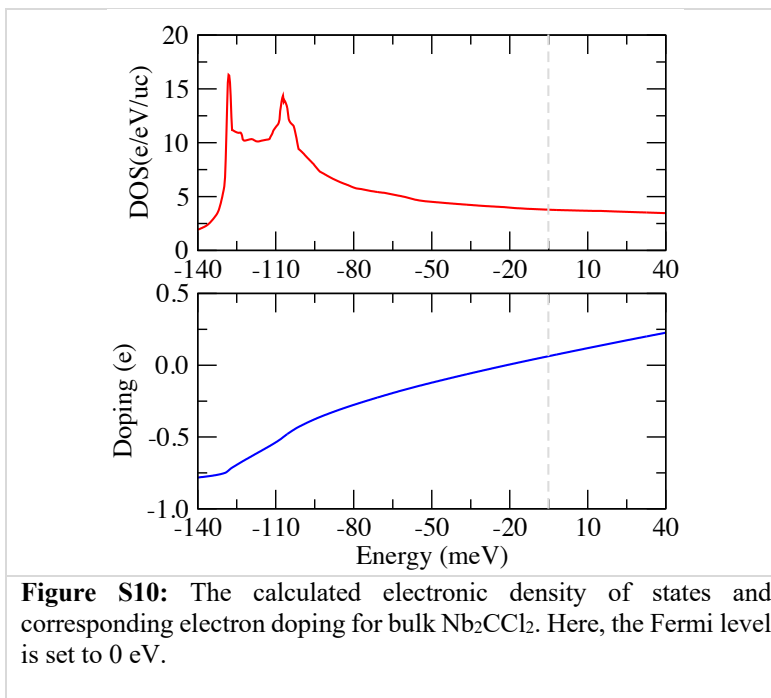


Figure S9: (a) Schematic representation of the periodic unit-cell of the considered crystal. The calculated (b) phonon dispersion along with *e-ph* coupling (size of red circles) and phonon density of states, (c) electronic band structure, and (d) Eliashberg function and integrated *e-ph* coupling constant (λ). The size of red circles is scaled with 1/10 for a better view. Here the red, grey and green lines correspond to the Nb, S, and C atoms, respectively.

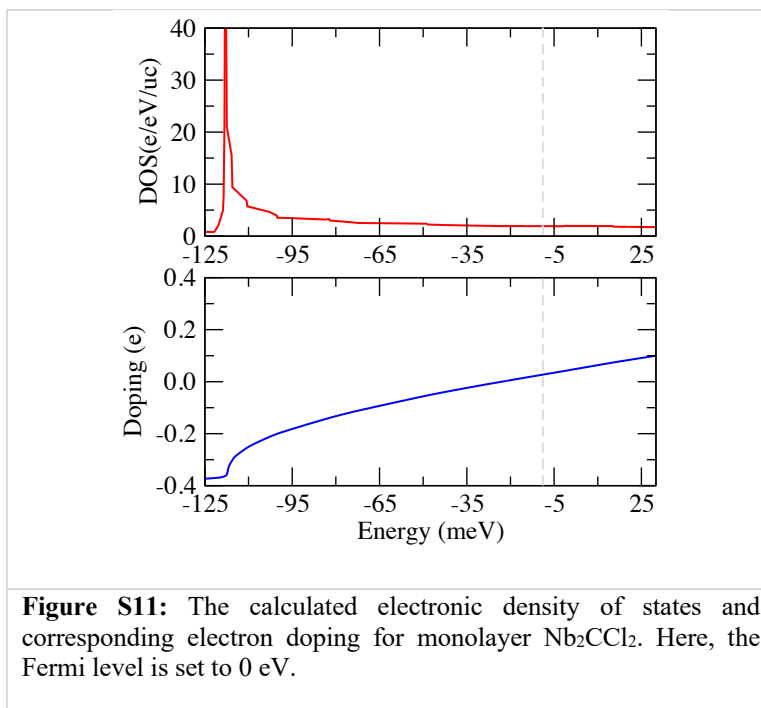
Bulk Nb₂CCl₂

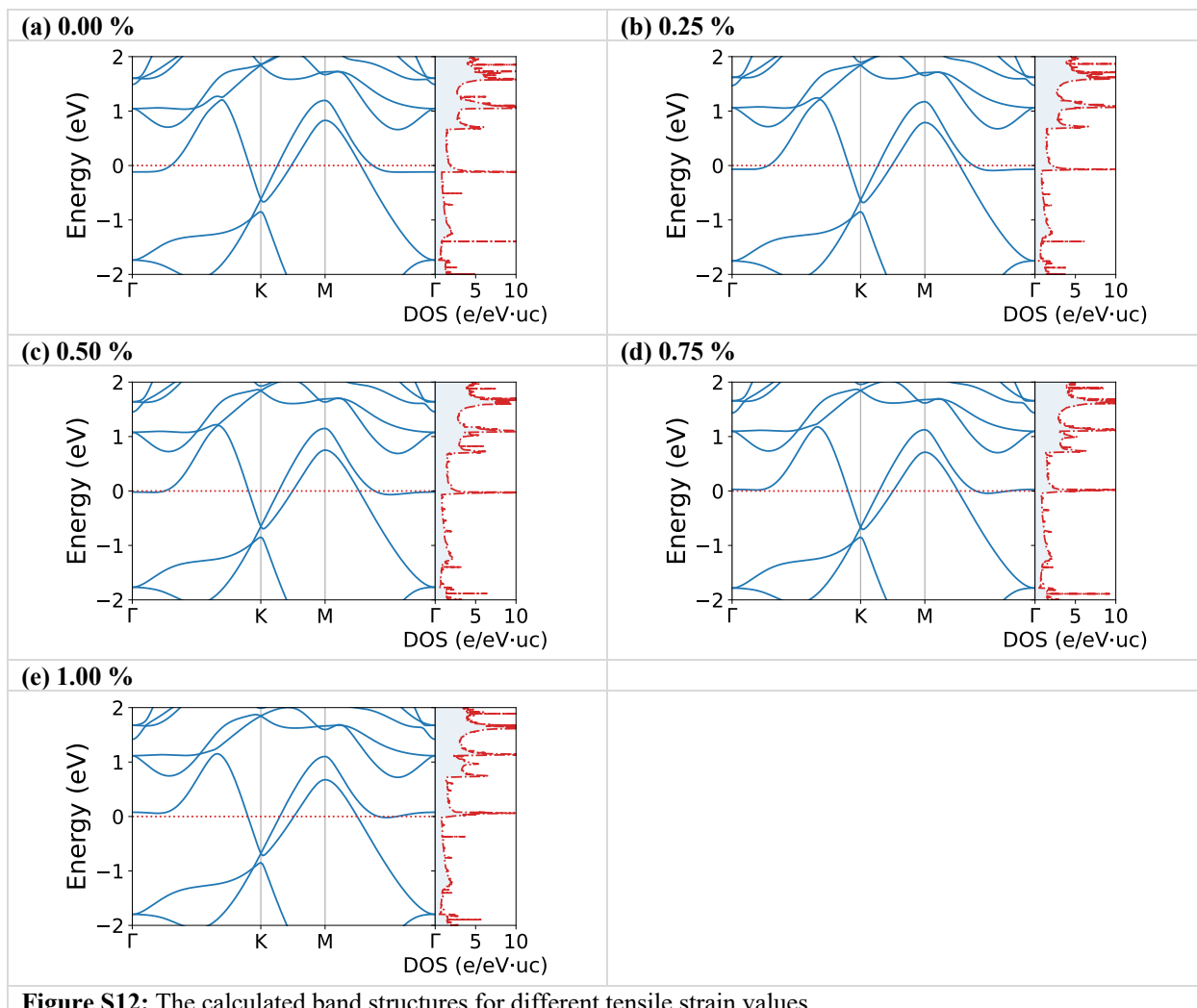
The calculated electronic density of states and carrier doping level



Monolayer Nb₂CCl₂

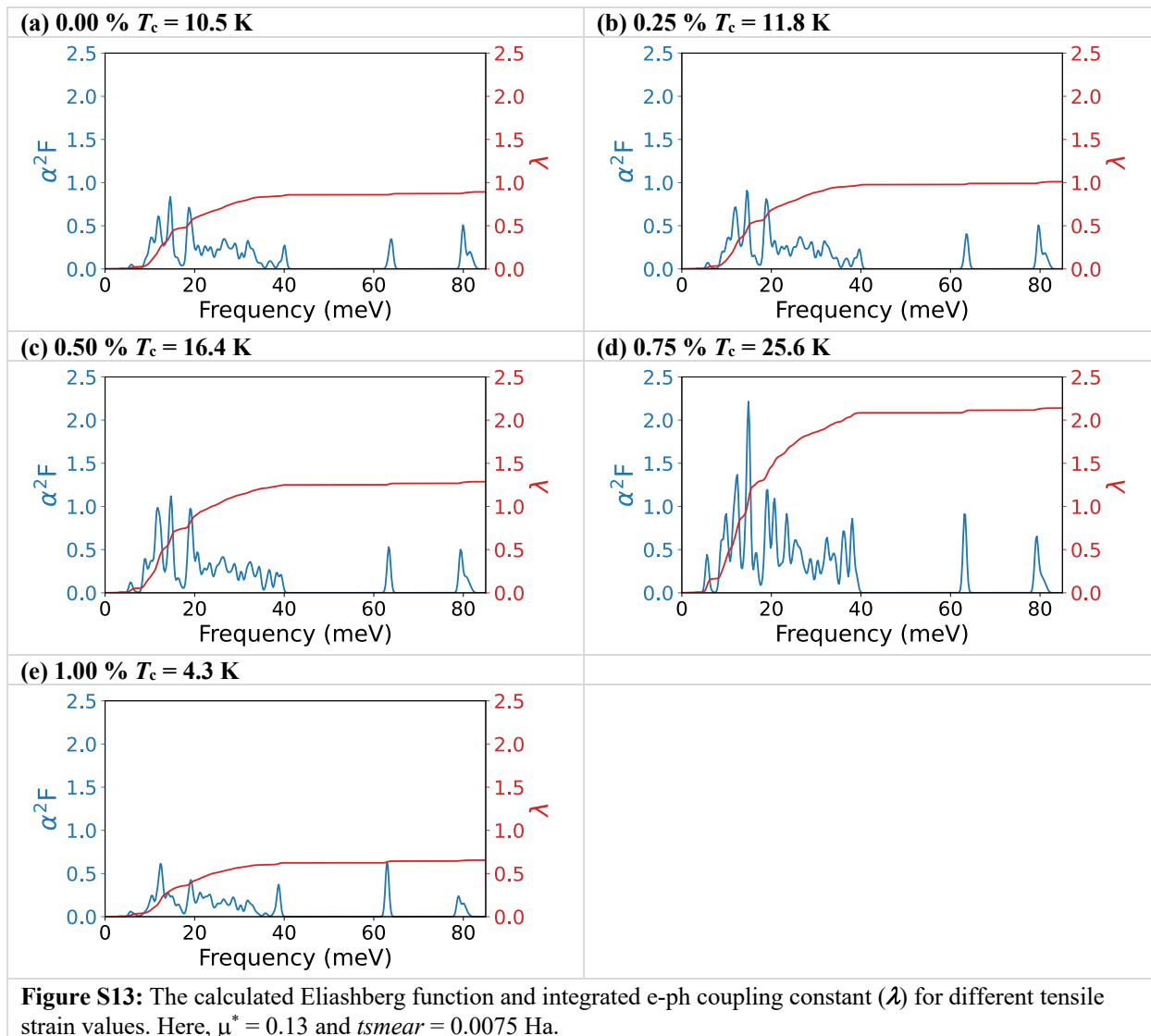
The calculated electronic density of states and carrier doping level



Monolayer Nb₂CCl₂*The change in band structure with tensile strain***Figure S12:** The calculated band structures for different tensile strain values.

Monolayer Nb₂CCl₂

The change in Eliashberg function and integrated e-ph coupling constant (λ) with tensile strain



Monolayer Nb₂CCl₂

The change in phonon dispersion with tensile strain

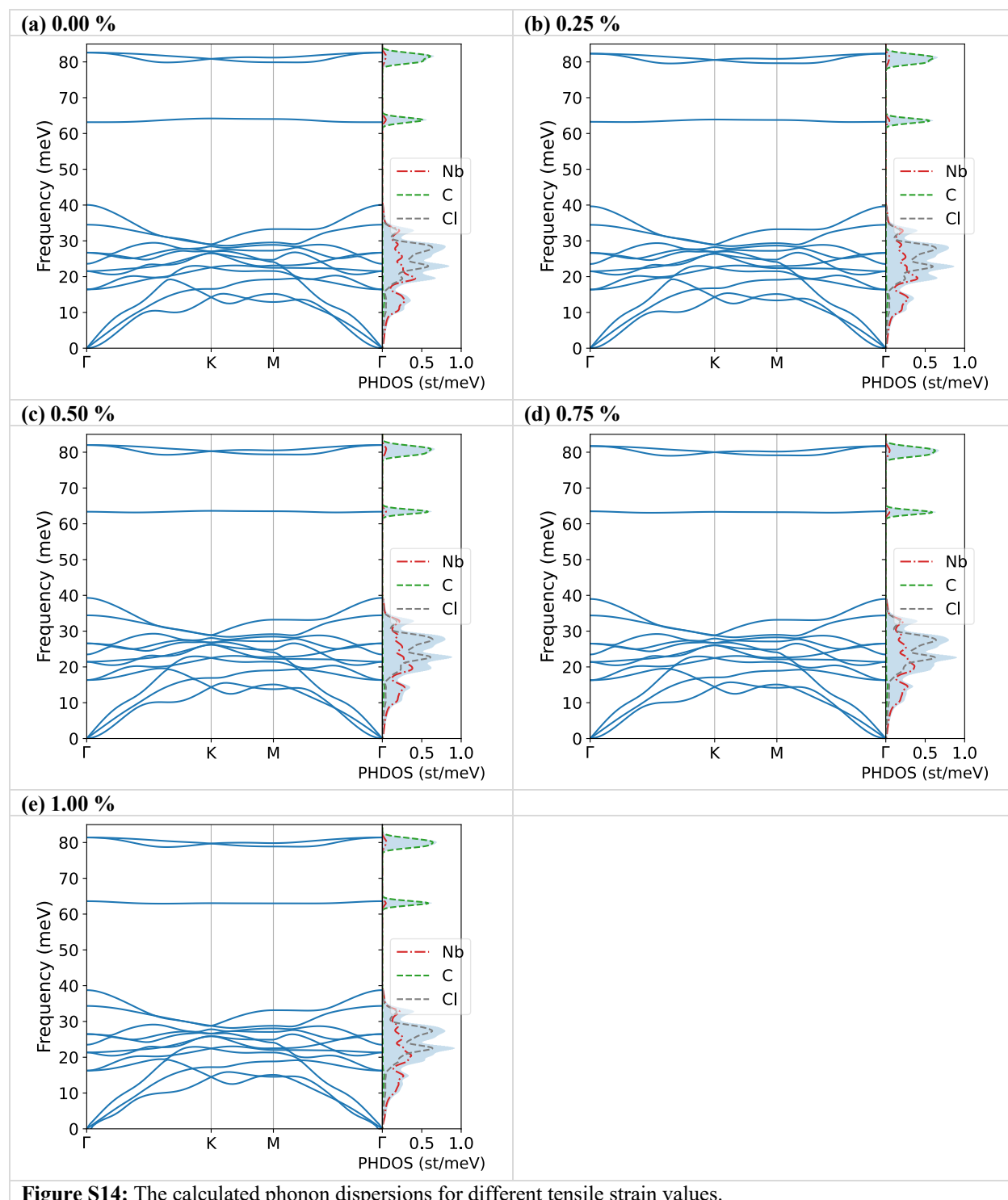
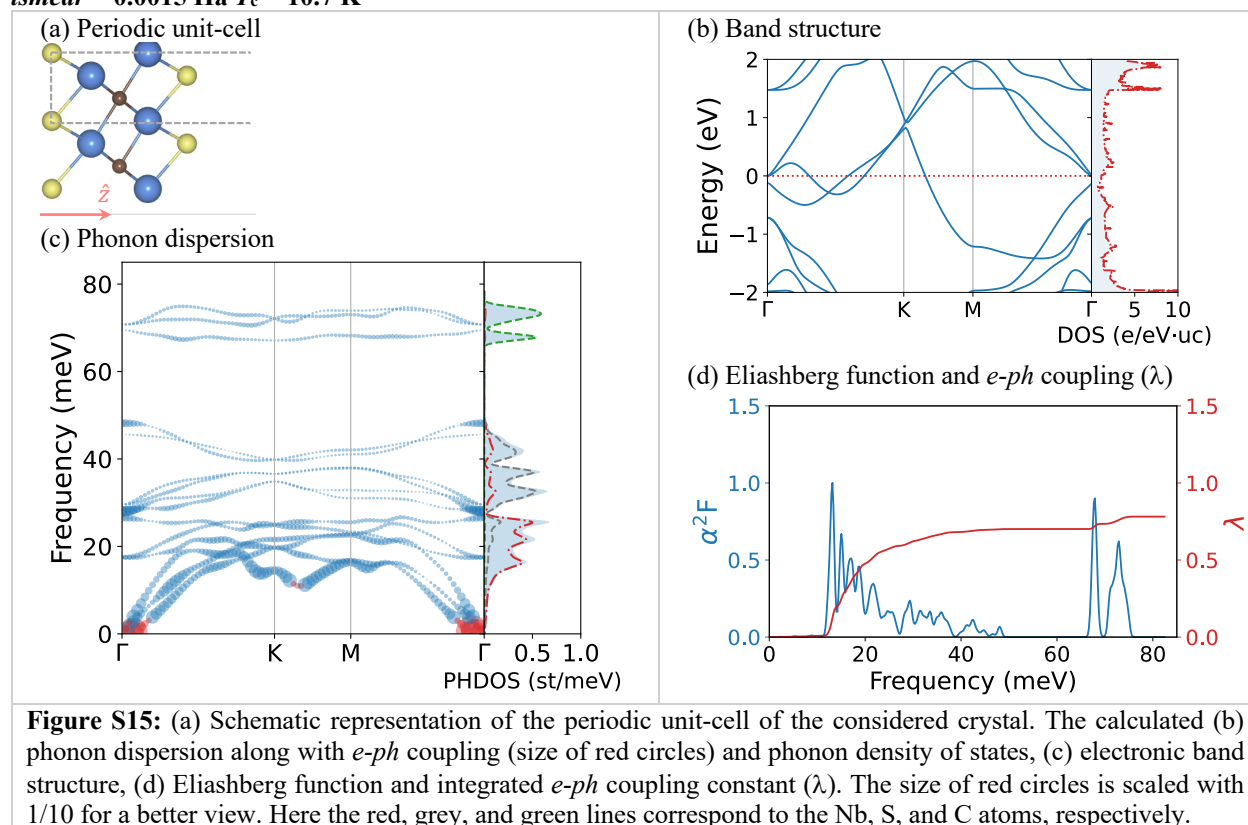


Figure S14: The calculated phonon dispersions for different tensile strain values.

Monolayer Nb₂CS₂

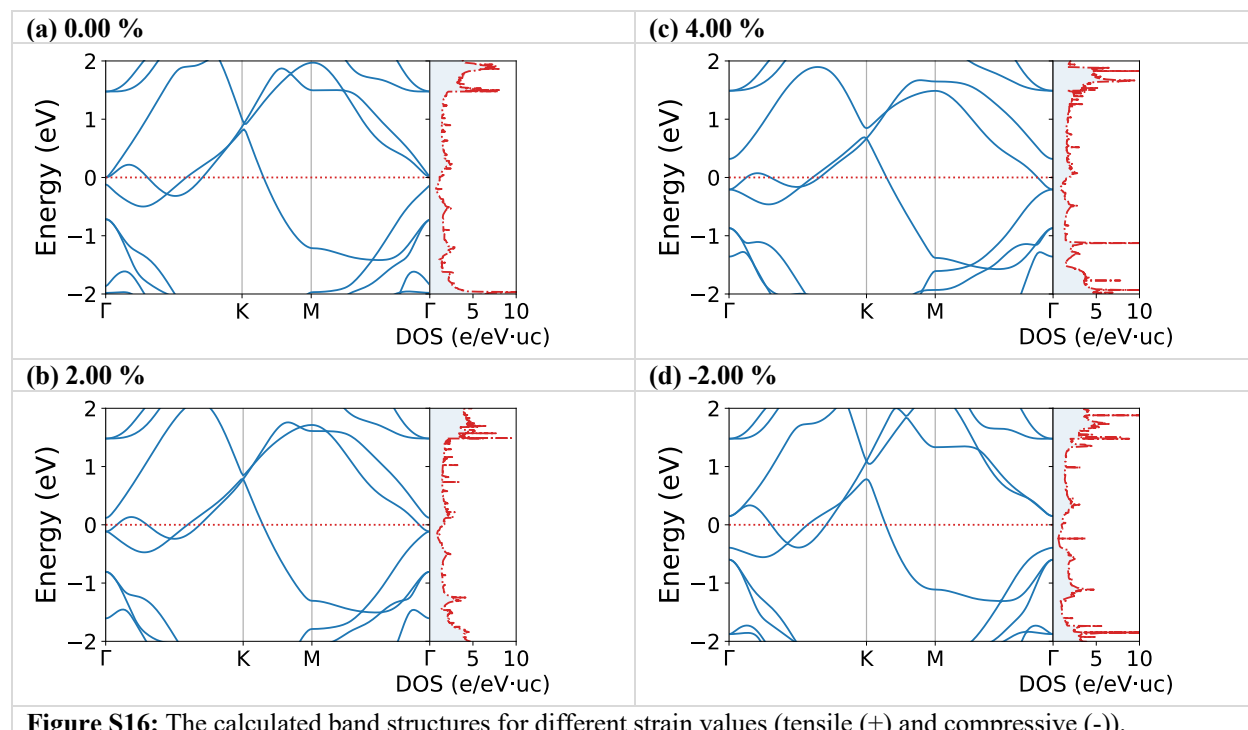
Superconducting properties

$t\text{smear} = 0.0015$ Ha $T_c = 10.7$ K



Monolayer Nb₂CS₂

The change in band structure with applied strain



Monolayer Nb₂CS₂

The change in phonon dispersion with applied strain

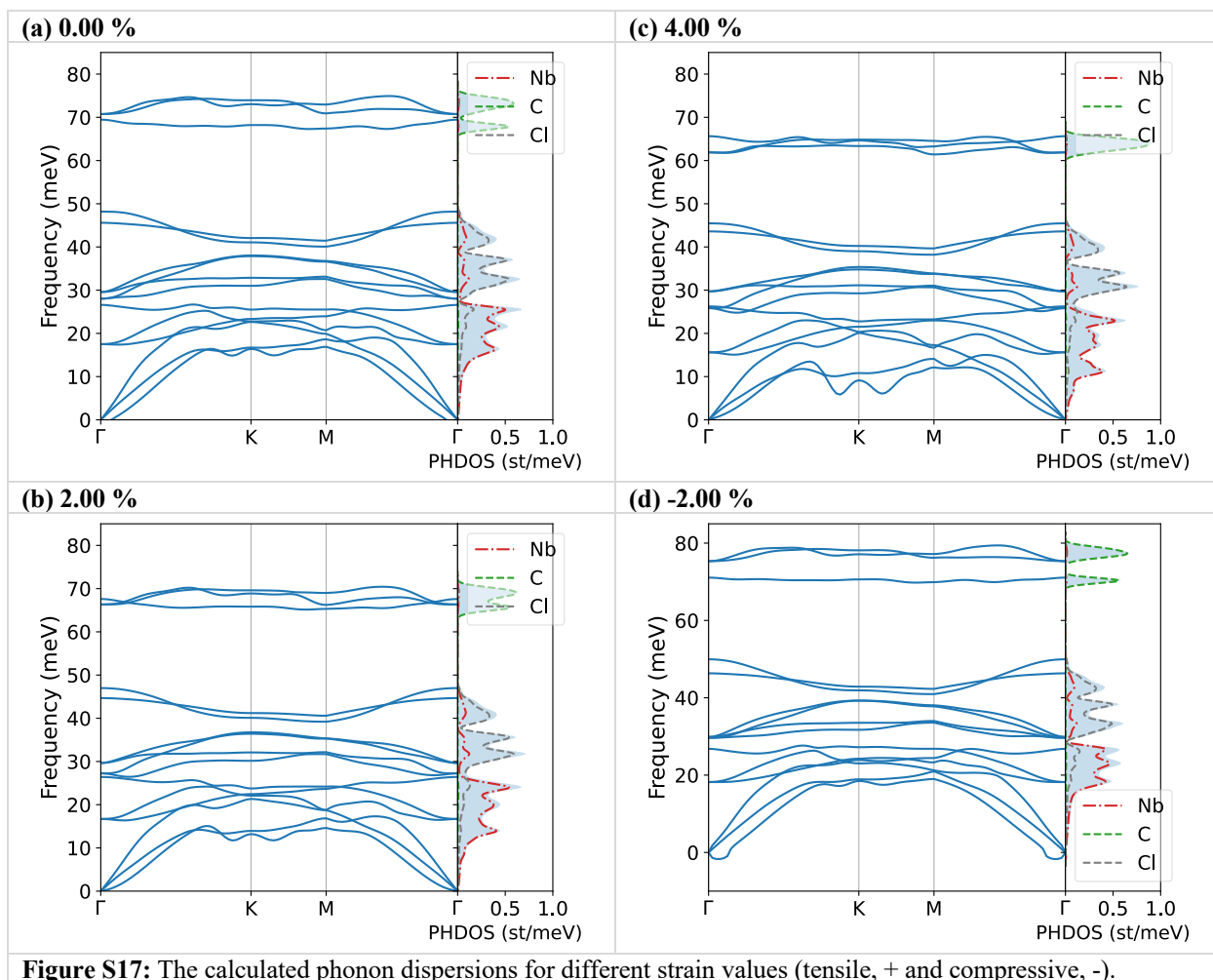


Figure S17: The calculated phonon dispersions for different strain values (tensile, + and compressive, -).

Monolayer Nb₂CS₂

The calculated nesting function

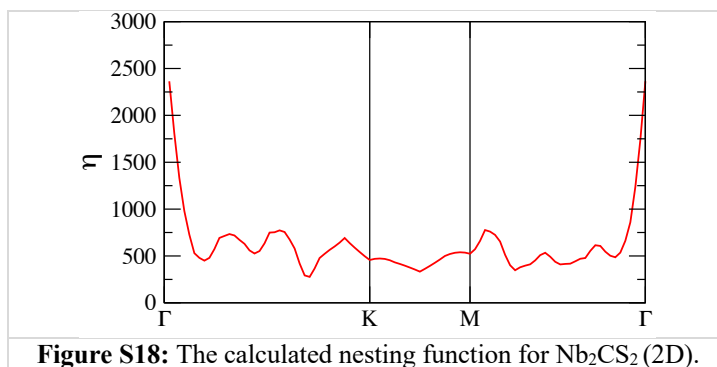


Figure S18: The calculated nesting function for Nb₂CS₂ (2D).